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Via ECF

Honorable Brian M. Cogan  
United States District Court  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: United States v Joseph Amato, Sr., et al.  
Criminal Docket: 19 CR 442 (S-1) (BMC)

Dear Judge Cogan:

In connection with Mr. Amato's pending sentencing, I enclose for the Court's review, a copy of an October 10, 2021 article from the NY Daily News entitled "*More problems at fed jail in Brooklyn; Inmates report no lights, water or hot food, few staffers*".<sup>1</sup> The article details new barbaric conditions that the inmates were forced to endure over last weekend.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

/s/  
Scott E. Leemon

cc: All counsel (via ECF)

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<sup>1</sup> The article can be found at <https://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/nyc-crime/ny-water-electricity-conditions-mdc-brooklyn-20211010-27q6mnw6jre4llsko6jbww4m74-story.html>.